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TAGS: PORG, MARR, UNSC, PLO, IS, LE
SUBJECT: HOW TO MOVE LEBANESE PERSONNEL TO SOUTH

1. POLMIN MAY 16 BROACHED WITH UN UNDER-SECRETARY GENERAL URQUHART THE IDEA OF USING THE FORTHCOMING ARRIVAL OF NEW UNIFIL CONTINGENTS IN BEIRUT AS A WAY OF FERRYING ADDITIONAL LEBANESE INTO SOUTH LEBANON.
2. URQUHART SAID THEY HAD BEEN CONSIDERING THE SAME IDEA. IN FACT, THE UN HAS DISCUSSED THIS WITH LEBANESE AUTHORITIES. URQUHART SAID THE LEBANESE HAD AGREED THAT THIS WOULD PROVIDE A SECURE MEANS FOR GETTING LEBANESE PERSONNEL SOUTH, BUT THEY REJECTED THE IDEA ON GROUNDS THAT SECURITY WITHIN SOUTH LEBANON WOULD BE
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QUESTIONABLE, THEIR EXPECTED FUNCTION IS NOT ADEQUATELY DEFINED, THEY WOULD NOT BE IN SUFFICIENT NUMBERS TO EXERCISE ANY REAL AUTHORITY, AND THEY WOULD HAVE NO INDEPENDENT MEANS OF COMMUNICATION WITH BEIRUT (INCLUDING TRANSIT BACK AND FORTH).

3. URQUHART SAID THE IDEA NONETHELESS IS WORTH

EXPLORING AND HE URGED THAT WE HAVE OUR OWN DISCUSSION
WITH LEBANESE GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES ALONG THESE LINES.
IN HIS VIEW THERE IS NO PROBLEM FROM A UN POINT OF
VIEW PRECLUDING SUCH A COURSE OF ACTION, BUT HE WARNED
THAT CAREFUL PREPARATION OF THE EXERCISE WOULD HAVE TO
BE UNDERTAKEN WITH THE PLO AND PERHAPS OTHER FACTIONS
TO PRECLUDE FIRING ON THE UN COLUMNS CONTAINING LEBANESE
PERSONNEL AS THEY MOVE SOUTH. HE COMMENTED THAT ARAFAT
HAS BEEN NEGATIVE ON THIS IDEA, BUT URQUHART GAVE NO
CONCRETE INDICATION AS TO WHEN IT WAS DISCUSSED WITH
ARAFAT OR IN WHAT FORM. MCHENRY

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